

# Calendar of Events

## Virginia's Threatened Sites Program

*Rescuing history site by site since 1985*



Clockwise from top right: Savage Neck Site (Northampton Co.), Hercules Sites (Alleghany Co.), Union Army Encampment "Camp Misery" Site (Stafford Co.), Jordan's Point Site (Prince George Co.), Church Neck Wells Site (Northampton Co.). For more information about the Threatened Sites Program, see backside of this poster.

## Virginia Archaeology Month October 2013

### Sponsor

Virginia Department of Historic Resources  
2801 Kensington Avenue  
Richmond, VA 22801  
(804) 367-2323  
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### For a Calendar of Events

Visit:  
[http://www.dhr.virginia.gov/arch\\_DHR/Arch-MonthCalendarofEvents2013.pdf](http://www.dhr.virginia.gov/arch_DHR/Arch-MonthCalendarofEvents2013.pdf)

### Co-Sponsors

Council of Virginia Archaeologists (CoVA)  
<http://cova-inc.org/>

Archeological Society of Virginia  
<http://asv-archeology.org/>

October, 2013

**Saturday, October 5***Chase City*

Type: Open House, Fee-Free Day, Exhibit, & Identification of Artifacts

Event: **Archaeology Day** Identify objects brought in by the public. Tour the museum to see the Arthur Robertson Collection. Demonstrations of Flint knapping (by Clinton Gurley) and other skills

Sponsor: MacCallum More Museum & Gardens

Location: MacCallum More Museum and Gardens  
603 Hudgins Street  
Chase City, VA 23924

Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Contact: (434) 372-0502

Web: <http://www.mmmg.org>

**Sunday, October 6***Alexandria*

Type: Lecture and Tour

Event: **Archaeology at the Carlyle House Historic Park** The John Carlyle House is a ca. 1753 Georgian Palladian structure located in the heart of Old Town Alexandria. Rescue archaeology was conducted on the grounds as part of a research and restoration project in the 1970s. Despite the salvage nature of the excavations, the Carlyle House archaeological collection has the potential to broaden our understanding of the history of a complex residential and commercial site. This lecture will focus on the features and artifacts discovered in the 1970s and highlight the on-going research into the Carlyle House archaeological collections. A selection of artifacts will be on view during the lecture, which is free and open to the public.

Time: Noon

After the lecture, take a tour of the Carlisle House, which is open for tours Tuesday-Saturday, 10am – 4pm and Sunday, noon – 4pm. Tours are given on the hour and on the half hour. Adult admission is \$5.00.

Speaker: Casey Pecoraro, Collections Assistant

Sponsor & Location: Carlyle House Historic Park  
121 N. Fairfax Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Contact: (703) 549-2997 [cpecoraro@nvrpa.org](mailto:cpecoraro@nvrpa.org)

Web: [http://www.nvrpa.org/park/carlyle\\_house\\_historic\\_park](http://www.nvrpa.org/park/carlyle_house_historic_park)

**Sunday, October 6***Fredericksburg*

Type: Site Tour

Event: **Tours for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing** Tours of the archaeology lab, dig site, museum gallery exhibits and 18th century demonstration garden will be conducted for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities using American Sign Language. No reservations are necessary. Regular admission fees apply. See our website for more information.

Speaker(s): Melanie Marquis, Archaeology Lab Supervisor for The George Washington Foundation, will be leading the tour of Ferry Farm while ReBecca Bennett conducts the tours in ASL (American Sign Language)

Sponsor: The George Washington Foundation

Location: George Washington's Boyhood Home at Ferry Farm  
268 Kings Highway  
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Time: 2:00pm

Contact: Paula Raudenbush (540)373-3381, ext. 54

Web: [http://www.kenmore.org/ff\\_home.html](http://www.kenmore.org/ff_home.html)

**Sunday, October 6, 13, 20, and 27** *Alexandria*

Type: Open House, Fee-Free Day, Kid's Program, Exhibit, Hands-On Archaeology, & TimeTravelers Passport Guide to Virginia Museums & Historic Sites destination

Event: **Civil War Sundays** Exhibits include an original May 26, 1861, edition of The New-York Tribune detailing Colonel Elmer Ellsworth's death in Alexandria, a Peeps diorama illustrating Ellsworth's death, a TimeTravelers Passport exhibit featuring the Civil War drummer boy, a diorama of a heating system constructed in Alexandria to warm Civil War hospital tents during the winter of 1861, a cocked and loaded Wickham musket discarded in a privy during the 1860s, and an exhibit on a Lee Street archaeological site during the Civil War. Take the museum's History Scavenger Hunt and try your hand at crossmending artifacts!

Speakers: Alexandria Archaeology Museum staff

Sponsor: Alexandria Archaeology Museum

Location: Alexandria Archaeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Time: 1:00pm-5:00pm

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>

**Monday, October 7** *Williamsburg*

Type: Lecture

Event: **"Pathway to Freedom"** Ms. Martha McCartney, historian, will discuss the role of enslaved African Americans and their release from slavery in 1802 at Green Spring Plantation.

Speaker(s): Martha McCartney, historian

Sponsor: Friends of Green Spring

Location: Williamsburg Library  
515 Scotland Street  
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Contact: Carol Tyrer (757) 880-4187

Web: <http://www.historicgreenspring.org>

**Thursday, October 10** *Martinsville*

Type: Lecture

Event: **"Adventures into the (Virtual) Unknown: 3D Laser Scanning and America's Past"** Lecture on 3D scanning and its benefit to archaeology, with an emphasis on the creation of projectile point and zooarchaeological digital type collections

Speaker(s): Dr. Bernard K. Means, Director of the Virtual Curation Laboratory

Sponsor: Virginia Museum of Natural History

Location: Virginia Museum of Natural History  
21 Starling Avenue  
Martinsville, VA 24112

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Contact: Ryan Barber 276-634-4163

**Thursday and Friday, October 10 and 11** *Williamsburg*

Type: Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **New Quarter Park Public Archaeology Project** We will be testing the New Quarter Park site in York County with an archaeological survey. This event is open to the public; please email us at [fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org](mailto:fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org) if you are interested in participating.

Sponsor: Fairfield Foundation

Location: New Quarter Park  
Williamsburg

Time: 9:00am-4:00pm

Contact: Thane Harpole (804) 815-4467; [fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org](mailto:fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org)

Web: <http://www.fairfieldfoundation.org>

**Friday, October 11**

*Alexandria*

Type: Site Tour

Event: **Shuter's Hill Site Tours** Tours of the Shuter's Hill excavation, site of an 18th century plantation and an 1850s estate that was later occupied by Union troops. Located on the grounds of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. Free but reservations required.

Speaker(s): George Washington University field school students and City of Alexandria archaeologists

Sponsor: Alexandria Archaeology Museum

Location: Shuter's Hill Excavation Site  
101 Callahan Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22301

Time: 2:00pm-3:00pm

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>

**Friday, October 11**

*The Plains*

Type: Lecture

Event: **Fauquier County Archaeology Workshop** Join us as we celebrate Virginia Archaeology Month and learn more about archaeological sites and archaeological site stewardship on October 11 & 12, 2013. On Friday, October 11, Mike Barber, State Archaeologist with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, will present an introduction to archaeology. Find out what it's really all about—what happens in the field, in the lab, and in front of the computer. Learn about the thrill of new discoveries, finding artifacts unseen for thousands of years, and testing new hypotheses. This illustrated discussion will touch on several topics, focusing on the methodologies that lead to data recovery and analysis.

Speaker: Mike Barber, State Archaeologist

Sponsor: Virginia Outdoors Foundation & Fauquier County

Location: Fauquier County Afro-American Historical Association  
4243 Loudoun Avenue  
The Plains, VA 20198

Time: 7:00pm

Contact: Wendy Wheatcraft (540) 422-8213

**Saturday, October 12***The Plains*

Type: Lecture

Event: **Fauquier County Archaeology Workshop** Join us as we celebrate Virginia Archaeology Month and learn more about archaeological sites and archaeological site stewardship on October 11 & 12, 2013. On Saturday, October 12, a hands-on archaeology study will be presented for public participation, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., at the Creel-Nutt-Robinson House, a late 18th century stone house on Bull Run Mountain, located off of Hungry Run Road. Professional archaeologists from Thunderbird Archaeology, a division of Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc., will be on-hand to answer questions.

Sponsor: Virginia Outdoors Foundation & Fauquier County

Location: Creel House Property on Bull Run Mountain  
Hungry Run Road  
The Plains, VA 20198

Time: 10:00am-3:00pm

Contact: Wendy Wheatcraft (540) 422-8213

**Saturday, October 12***Alexandria*

Type: Lecture, Fee-Free Day, Book Signing

Event: **"River to Rails: A Guidebook to Historical Markers in Old Town Alexandria" Lecture and Book Signing** Discover the 225 historical markers in Old Town Alexandria that span 260 years and provide a unique "history made here" perspective into the city's remarkable past.

Speaker: William (Jay) Roberts

Sponsor: Alexandria Archaeology Museum

Location: Alexandria Archaeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Time: 10:00am-noon

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>

**Saturday, October 12***Alexandria*

Type: Open House, Fee-Free Day, Kids Program, Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **Arts Safari: Potters' Art Adventure** Enjoy a hands-on drawing and painting activity for families celebrating the designs and motifs discovered on excavated shards of 19th century salt-glazed stoneware produced in Alexandria.

Speakers: Alexandria Archaeology Museum staff and volunteers

Sponsor: Alexandria Archaeology & Torpedo Factory Art Center

Location: Alexandria Archaeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>; [http://www.torpedofactory.org/Arts Safari/index.htm](http://www.torpedofactory.org/Arts_Safari/index.htm)

**Saturday, October 12** *Fort Eustis*

Type: Site Tour

Title: **Tour of Site 44NN0070** While this site is better known as Fort Crafford because of the large Civil War fortification also has the remains of an early colonial site occupied between 1618 and 1622 and the foundation of a house that was constructed in the early 1700 and demolished in the 1920.  
If you wish to participate you need to Contact Chris McDaid at 757.878.7365 or christopher.l.mcdaid.civ@mail.mil by 9 October.

Speaker: Dr. Christopher L. McDaid, Cultural Resources Manager and Archaeologist for Fort Eustis

Sponsor: Fort Eustis Cultural Resources Management Program

Location: The Matthew Jones House, a Virginia Historic Landmark  
1611 Taylor Ave  
Fort Eustis, VA 23604

Time: 10:00am to 1:00pm

Contact: (757) 878-5381

Web: [http://www.eustis.army.mil/ENRD/Conservation/cultural\\_resources1.htm](http://www.eustis.army.mil/ENRD/Conservation/cultural_resources1.htm)

**Thursday, October 12** *Gloucester*

Type: Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **Fairfield Dig Day** Public dig day at Fairfield Plantation. Bring your friends and family to discover archaeology at Fairfield Plantation.

Sponsor: Fairfield Foundation

Location: Fairfield Plantation

Time: 9:00am-4:00pm

Contact: [fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org](mailto:fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org)

Web: <http://www.fairfieldfoundation.org>

**Saturday & Sunday, October 12 & 13** *Williamsburg*

Type: Open House, Site Tour and Kids' Program

Event: **Green Spring Plantation Annual Open House and Tour** The only public openings of the year, this year's tour of the foundations and landscape includes a discussion of the enslaved population. There will also be dancing and games for the young and old alike.

Sponsor: Friends of Green Spring

Location: Pick up the bus at Jamestown High School for transportation to Green Spring Plantation

Time: 10 am – 2 pm both days

Contact: Carol Tyrer (757) 880-4187

Web: <http://www.historicgreenspring.org>

**Saturday, October 19** *Alexandria*

Type: Lecture, Fee-Free Day, 3D Model Making Demonstration

Event: **Fire Up the Lasers! Creating 3D Digital Avatars of Archaeological Objects** Dr. Means will discuss the efforts of the Virtual Curation Laboratory to digitally preserve the past, will share 3D digital models and plastic replicas generated by the models, and demonstrate that 3D scanning process using artifacts from the collections of the Alexandria Archaeology Museum.

Speaker(s): Dr. Bernard K. Means, Director of the Virtual Curation Laboratory @ Virginia Commonwealth University

Sponsor: Alexandria Archaeology Museum

Location: Alexandria Archaeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Time: 10:00am-noon

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>; <http://vcuarchaeology3d.wordpress.com/>

**Saturday & Sunday, October 19 & 20** *Gloucester*

Type: Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **Battle of the Hook Public Excavations** Don't miss out on all the excitement at this year's Battle of the Hook re-enactment weekend! Over 1,000 re-enactors participate in one of America's Largest Revolutionary War Reenactments, held on the historic grounds of Warner Hall. Fairfield



Foundation staff and volunteers will be on site leading public excavations during both days of the event. Stop by to check out what we're finding and to experience some first-hand archaeology!

Sponsor: Fairfield Foundation

Location: Warner Hall  
Gloucester Courthouse  
7400 Justice Drive, Room 327  
Gloucester, VA 23061

Time: 9:00am-5:00pm on October 19 and 10:00am-4:00pm on October 20.

Contact: [fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org](mailto:fairfield@fairfieldfoundation.org)

Web: <http://www.fairfieldfoundation.org>; <http://www.battleofthehook.org/schedule.html>

#### **Friday, October 25**

*Virginia Beach*

Type: Panel Discussion

Event: **Council of Virginia Archaeologists Public Education Forum** Four recently retired Virginia archaeologists will discuss topics of most important contributions, discoveries of the last 3-4 decades, current direction of Virginia archaeology and current needs. They will also take questions from the audience.

Location: Cavalier Hotel  
4201 Atlantic Avenue  
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Web: <http://cova-inc.org>

#### **Friday – Sunday, October 25 – 27** *Virginia Beach*

Type: Conference

Event: **Annual Meeting of the Archeological Society of Virginia** includes a series of paper presentations beginning at 8 am Friday, poster sessions, exhibits, a book room, an awards presentation and Bly Straub as Banquet Speaker. A field trip to Fort Monroe and its Casemate Museum will take place Saturday afternoon. The meeting is held in conjunction with the Council of Virginia Archaeologists (COVA). For further details, including registration instructions and costs, visit the ASV web site (below).

Location: Cavalier Hotel  
4201 Atlantic Avenue  
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Web: <http://www.asv-archeology.org/News/News.html>

**Tuesday, October 29**

*Fort Eustis*

Type: Open House

Event: **Archaeology Open House at Fort Eustis** Stop by the Matthew Jones House, the oldest building owned by the Department of Defense, and see how and why Fort Eustis protects our Nation's irreplaceable heritage while the installation's mission is completed. Archaeologists will talk about the 232 identified sites on the installation and display selected artifacts.

Sponsor: Fort Eustis Cultural Resources Management Program

Location: The Matthew Jones House, a Virginia Historic Landmark  
1611 Taylor Ave  
Fort Eustis, VA 23604

Time: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Contact: (757) 878-5381

Web: [http://www.eustis.army.mil/ENRD/Conservation/cultural\\_resources1.htm](http://www.eustis.army.mil/ENRD/Conservation/cultural_resources1.htm)

#### **ONGOING EVENTS**

Ongoing *Alexandria*

Type: Kid's Program and Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **Time Travelers Passport Guide to Virginia Museums & Historic Sites** Learn about people, places, and events that have our world today. Visit six museums and become an official Virginia Time Traveler – More than six and you become a Master Traveler! Passports are available for \$6.00.

Sponsor: Alexandria Archeology Museum

Location: Alexandria Archeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Time: Ongoing

Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399

Web: <http://www.timetravelers.org>; <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>

Ongoing *Alexandria*

Type: Exhibit

Event: **A Community Digs Its Past: The Lee Street Site** An exhibit exploring the archaeology and history unearthed during the excavation of a city block in Old Town Alexandria.

Sponsor: Alexandria Archeology Museum  
Location: Alexandria Archeology Museum  
105 North Union Street, #327  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
Time: Ongoing  
Contact: Ruth Reeder (703) 746-4399  
Web: <http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org>

Ongoing *Fort Lee*  
Type: Open House  
Event: View archeological collections from Fort Lee, Fort Monroe and various other installations during **Fort Lee Archaeology Month**.  
Sponsor: US Army  
Location: Regional Archaeological Curation Facility  
Building 5222  
Fort Lee, VA 23801  
Time: 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday  
Contact: (804) 734-4434/4436

Ongoing *Richmond*  
Type: Exhibit  
Event: **Story of Virginia** This award-winning exhibition interprets 16,000 years of Virginia history from the earliest artifacts of Native Americans to Virginia at the beginning of the 21st century. In a 10,000-square-foot area, visitors can witness the cultural and historical transformations of the commonwealth as they travel from one gallery to another.  
Sponsor: Virginia Historical Society  
Location: Virginia Historical Society  
428 North Boulevard  
Richmond, Virginia 23220  
Time: Monday through Saturday, 10:00am-5:00pm; Sunday, 1:00pm-5:00pm  
Contact: (804) 358-4901  
Web: <http://www.vahistorical.org>

Ongoing *Richmond*

Type: Exhibit & Hands-On Archaeology

Event: **Solving History's Mysteries: The History Discovery Lab** Organized by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, Solving History's Mysteries introduces visitors to the principles and techniques of archaeology. This interactive exhibit offers a broad variety of hands-on activities and focuses on the process of discovery, how we learn, and the important role historic architecture and archaeology play in defining our communities and culture.

Sponsor: Department of Historic Resources

Location: Virginia Historical Society  
428 North Boulevard  
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Time: Monday through Saturday, 10:00am-5:00pm; Sunday, 1:00pm-5:00pm

Contact: (804) 358-4901

Web: <http://www.vahistorical.org>

Ongoing *Williamsburg*

Type: Exhibit

Event: **Jamestown Settlement Galleries** chronicle the nation's 17<sup>th</sup> century beginnings in Virginia in the context of its Powhatan Indian, English, and African cultures. On exhibit is archaeological material from Paleo- to Woodland-period Virginia Indian sites, including an early 17<sup>th</sup> century Paspahegh town in close proximity to the English settlement at Jamestown, and from 17<sup>th</sup> century colonial sites, including possibly the earliest slave quarter found in Virginia.

Sponsor: Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

Location: Jamestown Settlement  
Route 31 South & Colonial Parkway (GPS: 2110 Jamestown Road)  
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Time: 9:00am to 5:00pm daily

Contact: (888) 593-4682 toll-free  
(757) 253-4838

Web: <http://www.historyisfun.org>

Ongoing *Yorktown*

Type: Exhibit

Event: **Yorktown's Sunken Fleet** features the Betsy, one of a score or more ships sunk – mainly intentionally – during the 1781 Siege of Yorktown. The Betsy, a British troop transport, was the

subject of an underwater archeological excavation in the 1980s. Among objects exhibited courtesy of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources are regimental buttons that led to the identity of the ship. Items ranging from barrel parts to dining utensils provide insight into daily life and work on board a ship during the Revolution.

Sponsor: Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

Location: Yorktown Victory Center  
Route 1020 & Colonial Parkway (GPS: 200 Water Street)  
Yorktown, VA 23690

Time: 9:00am to 5:00pm daily

Contact: (888) 593-4682 toll-free  
(757) 253-4838

Web: <http://www.historyisfun.org>